

## State of New Jersey

## **DEPARTMENT OF LAW AND PUBLIC SAFETY**

## DIVISION OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS STATE BOARD OF VETERINARY MEDICAL EXAMINERS

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July 10, 1985

Dr. Ira P. Antin Roxbury Animal Hospital 21 Route 10 Succasunna, NJ 07876

Re: Case #84-42

Dear Dr. Antin:

This is to advise you that the Board of Veterinary Medical Examiners has received and reviewed certain information regarding activity in which you were engaged as a Board licensee. The Board's initial review discloses what appears to be occupational misconduct in violation of N.J.S.A. 45:1-21(e) in that after making an agreement with Ms. Mary Anne Ferguson to perform neuturing of a cat, you failed to remove the cat's undescended testicle, and thus began a surgical procedure without being willing to complete it.

You are hereby offered the opportunity to settle this matter an avoid the initiation of formal disciplinary proceedings by signing the enclosed certification and paying a civil penalty in the amount of \$250, and returning \$160 to Ms. Ferguson. Said restitution check is to be forwarded to this office and made payable to Mary Anne Ferguson. Alternatively, you may waive your right to a hearing and submit a written statement or explanation to the Board. The Board will consider this statement and render a final decision thereon. You may also request a hearing in which case the matter will be scheduled and this notice will serve as a complaint. At the hearing you may, either personally or with the assistance of an attorney, submit such testimony or other evidence as you may deem necessary in order for the Board to finally determine whether the unlawful acts set forth herein have been proven.

You should also be aware that upon final evaluation of the evidence submitted at the hearing, the Board may, if unlawful acts are found to exist, assess civil penalties in an amount greater than that herein offered in settlement. Additionally, the Board may, if the facts are found to so warrant, enter an order requiring the restoration of any monies acquired by unlawful acts, the payment of costs and directing that you cease and desist from continued use of those acts found to be unlawful.

The enclosed certification should be returned to the Board with your indicated course of action within ten days following receipt hereof. In the event that the Board receives no response within ten days, the allegations contained herein shall be deemed admitted and the Board will proceed to finally review this matter and enter an appropriate final order in relation thereto.

ery truly yours

Executive Secretary

MWM:pc

Encl.

cc: Maxine Neuhauser, D.A.G.

c.r.r.

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## CERTIFICATION

I have received the Board's letter dated
regarding alleged violations.
Please check one:
The allegations set forth therein are acknowledged and I enclose
herewith a check in the amount of $250750$ payable to the
"State of New Jersey". Assurance is hereby given that the
conduct alleged in the notice will not continue or reoccur.
I hereby waive any right which I may have to a hearing in this
matter and submit a written statement for the Board's final
consideration in this matter.
A hearing on this matter before the Board is hereby requested.
Signature  Signature
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DATED: 18, 1985